













Committee, but failed to see that the matter was one in which the Chinese could interfere, and suggested that the remedy lay with individual Merchants.

A communication was received from the British Consulate, asking for some information relative to the importation of opium into China. In reply, the Committee referred to Hongkong as the port to which nearly all Indian opium is shipped to China, and its way.

The Committee also received a communication from the Municipal Council with a view of obtaining the exemption of Transhipped Goods from Wharfage Dues, but the Council in their reply objected to making any alterations in the existing regulations. A letter has been received from Baron Richthofen at Berlin, relative to the progress of the publication in an extended form of the result of his travels in China. He states that he found English public opinion unwilling to undertake the work if compiled in the purely commercial and scientific form which he proposed to give it, as the book would be insupportable to the reading public, and therefore generally unobtainable. He had in consequence reluctantly decided to modify his original plan, and at the suggestion of the publishers, had agreed to mingle lighter matter with the scientific part of the work, so as to render it more popular, and secure a larger, though perhaps less discriminating, class of readers.

Baron Richthofen hoped that the first volume of the work, in its amended shape would be ready early next year.

No extraordinary General Meetings of the Chamber have been called during the past year. The Accounts for the Chamber for the 12 months ending 30th June, are annexed to this Report, and show a balance in favour of the Chamber of Ts. 3,171.51, of which Ts. 2,000 are deposited with the Chamber for the benefit of the Chamber, being in the hands of the same Bank on current account.

The following matters will be brought before the annual meeting, together with any other business which may be originated by members who are requested to give notice of such to the Committee, through the secretary:—

- 1.—Election Report.
- 2.—Election of Officers.
- 3.—Election of Committee.

F. B. JOHNSON, Chairman.

**TO OWNERS OF PROPERTY IN HONGKONG.**

**BATHINGTON & ALGAR**

**HOUSE AGENTS**

**AND**

**VALUATORS.**

9, Hollywood Road, Hongkong.

**BATHINGTON & ALGAR** having had 8 years' experience in the above business, undertake the valuation of property, and the effecting of repairs, and General Management of House Property, at a moderate rate of Commission. Valuations, &c., made. Repairs, &c., effected. Registered. 14th Hongkong, September, 1873.

**POOCHOW DOCK**

**PAGODA ANCHORAGE.**

THIS above Pagoda-Dock has lately been LEASED out, and is now open for receiving vessels up to 300 feet on the keel. The breadth of the Dock at the bottom is 40 feet, at the top 60 feet, and the width at the entrance is 50 feet. Depth of water on the 15 feet of the dock, 17 feet at average spring tides. The Dock has a Quayage Dock, and is pumped out by steam.

A new BOUNDARY for large iron and brass castings has recently been added. The Machine Shop contains a 12-inch Screw Cutting Machine, Small Lathes, Drilling and Sawing Machines, Steam Saw Mill, Large Sundry, &c., &c.

Dry goods are on the premises, available for storage of cargo, &c.

A large stock of Timber, Metal, and other Dock-yard materials, and also a large stock of vessels docked for examination, remastered, repaired, repairs also done in harbour, and iron ships and structures cleaned and painted, and moderate charges.

At the Dock, or on application to the undersigned.

The Steam Tug "Wongwan" is in thorough working order, and is available at all times to tow vessels to or from the Dock.

JOHN FORSTER & Co.,  
at 1039, Beach Road, 14th June, 1873.

THE UNDERSIGNED beg to inform the Public of HONGKONG, HO NAM, and CANTON, that he has shops established at those places in the name of HONG KONG, HO NAM, and CANTON, and that he has constantly on hand BEEF, MUTTON, POULTRY, BREAD, VEGETABLES, and OILMAN'S STORES, &c., of the best quality.

in HO NAM and CANTON SHOPS, the foregoing articles, with the addition of BEEF, MUTTON, POULTRY, BREAD, and GAME when in season.

Gentlemen and Families desirous of patronising him, are requested to apply at his shops as above, where a list of prices of articles will be furnished, which will be supplied at the same rate all the year round.

HING KEE,  
at 745 Hongkong, 13th May, 1873.

KHUP'S CASH STRENGTH WORKS, ESSEN (GERMANY),  
SOLE AGENTS FOR CHINA AND JAPAN.

at 1871 Hongkong, Shanghai, Cologne (Germany),  
HUMBOLDT, KARBERG & Co.,  
at 1180 Hongkong, 11th May, 1867.

**HOUSE, SHAMBOAN, COFFERS, STAINLESS, BRASSWORKS.**

No. 1, Queen's Road East and Nialla Lane, Opposite H.M. Naval Dock Yard.  
at 387 Hongkong, 1st March, 1873.

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at 1343 Hongkong, 18th August, 1873.

**POSITIVE GOVERNMENT SECURITY LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.**

CHAS. H. MORGAN, Agent.  
at 965 Hongkong, 18th June, 1873.

**BATAVIA SEA AND FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.**

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at 1022 Hongkong, 1st April, 1873.

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Most of the above will be sold at GREATLY REDUCED PRICES to make room for NEW GOODS for the Autumn and Winter Seasons.

at 1475 Hongkong, 5th September, 1873.

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**QUEEN INSURANCE COMPANY.**

FROM and after this date, and until further notice, a Discount of Twenty per cent. (20%) upon current local rates of Premium, will be returned on Insurances against Fire, effected with this Office.

EDWARD NORTON & Co., Agents.  
at 1174 Hongkong, 25th June, 1873.

**Insurances.**

**PHENIX FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.**

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company at this Port, are prepared to grant Policies against Fire to the extent of \$40,000, on Buildings, or in Goods stored therein.

DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & Co., Agents.  
at 717 Hongkong, 26th November, 1868.

**Insurances.**

**LONDON AND ORIENTAL STEAM TRANSPORTATION OFFICE.**

137, LEADENHALL STREET, LONDON. ESTABLISHED 1843.

THE Undersigned is authorised to accept risks on behalf of this Office, by First Class Steamers and Sailing Ships, as proposed to leave Ports of Call, at the current rates of Premium at the respective places.

AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co., Agents.  
at Hongkong, 1st July, 1867.

**Insurances.**

**LIVERPOOL AND LONDON AND GLOBE INSURANCE COMPANY.**

FROM this date, until further notice, a Discount of Twenty per cent. (20%) upon the current local rate of premium will be allowed upon insurances effected with this Company.

DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & Co., Agents.  
at 1193 Hongkong, 27th June, 1873.

**Insurances.**

**IMPERIAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.**

FROM this date until further notice, a Discount of Twenty per cent. (20%) will be made on Premium charged on all insurances effected with this Office, such Return being payable on the issue of the Policy.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Agents.  
at 1159 Hongkong, 24th June, 1873.

**Insurances.**

**DOGAN MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, LONDON.**

(INCORPORATED 1855.) CAPITAL, £1,000,000.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company, are prepared to accept Marine Risks and issue Policies at current rates.

AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co., Agents.  
at 1851 Hongkong, 1st July, 1867.

**Insurances.**

**MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF MANCHESTER AND LONDON.**

THE Undersigned have been appointed Agents for the above Company, Hongkong, Canton, Pechow, Shanghai, and Hankow, and are prepared to grant Insurances at current Rates.

HOLIDAY, WISE & Co., Agents.  
at 1855 Hongkong, 15th June, 1865.

**Insurances.**

**THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.**

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

GENIES at all the Treaty Ports of China and Japan, and at Singapore, Saigon, and Hongkong, and at other ports, and issue Policies of Insurance granted at the rates of Premium current at the above-mentioned Ports.

No charge for Policy fees.

JAS. B. COUGHTRY, Secretary.  
at Hongkong, 1st November, 1871.

**Insurances.**

**BATAVIA SEA AND FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.**

THE Undersigned are now prepared to grant, on behalf of the above Company, Policies against Fire, on First-class Buildings, to an extent of \$100,000.

A discount of Twenty per cent. (20%) upon the current local rates of Premium, will be returned on Insurances against Fire, effected with this Office, such Return being payable on the issue of the Policy.

RUSSELL & Co., Agents.  
at 1515 Hongkong, 1st January, 1873.

**Insurances.**

**CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.**

NOTICE.

POLICIES granted at current rates on Marine Risks to all parts of the World, in accordance with the Company's Articles of Association. Two-thirds of the Profits are distributed annually to Contributors, whether Shareholders or not, in proportion to the net amount of Premium contributed by each, the remaining third being carried to Reserve Fund.

OLYMPHANT & Co., General Agents.  
at 551 Hongkong, 17th April, 1873.

**Insurances.**

**NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.**

Reduction in any rate of Premium. Detached and semi-detached Dwelling Houses, removed from town, and their contents. Other dwelling Houses and contents, as usual, and their contents. Godowns, Offices, Shops, &c., and their contents.

GILMAN & Co., Agents.  
at 1118 Hongkong, 24th June, 1873.

**Insurances.**

**IMPERIAL FIRE OFFICE.**

FROM and after this date the following rates will be charged for SHORT PERIOD insurances, viz:—

Not exceeding Ten days	1/2 of the annual rate
Not exceeding 1 month	1/3 of the annual rate
Above 1 month and not exceeding 3 months	1/4 of the annual rate
Above 3 months and not exceeding 6 months	1/5 of the annual rate
Above 6 months the full annual rate	

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Agents.  
at Hongkong, 18th August, 1869.

**Insurances.**

**CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.**

NOTICE.

IN conformity with the Special Resolutions adopted and confirmed at the Extraordinary Meeting of Shareholders held on the 1st and 15th instants, altering Clauses Nos. 130, 131, 132, and 133 of the Articles of Association, (such changes to take effect from 1st November, 1873), the Net Profits of the Company will, from that date, be distributed as follows, viz:—

Two-thirds (2/3) to all contributors, whether shareholders or not, in proportion to the net amount of premium contributed by each.

One-third (1/3) to Shareholders generally, according to the number of shares held by each.

AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co., General Agents.  
at 514 Hongkong, 18th February, 1873.

**Insurances.**

**THE LONDON ASSURANCE COMPANY.**

(INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER IN 1720.)

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Corporation, are prepared to grant Insurances as follows:—

MARINE DEPARTMENT. Policies at current rates, payable either here, in London, or at the principal Ports of India, China, and elsewhere.

FIRE DEPARTMENT. Policies issued for long or short periods at current rates.

A discount of 20% allowed.

POLICIES issued for sums not exceeding £5,000, on reasonable terms.

HOLIDAY, WISE & Co., Agents.  
at 1855 Hongkong, 29th July, 1872.

**Insurances.**

**ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY.**

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant Policies against Fire in the above Company at current rates, subject to a discount of 20 per cent.

ROB. S. WALKER & Co., Agents.  
at 1617 Hongkong, 1st October, 1873.

**Insurances.**

**TRANSATLANTIC FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG.**

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company, are prepared to accept risks against Fire, subject to a bonus of 20 per cent.

SIEMSEN & Co., Agents.  
at 39 Hongkong, 16th November, 1872.

**Insurances.**

**VICTORIA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HONGKONG, LIMITED.**

THIS Company, with its Head Office at Hongkong, and Agencies at the various Ports of China and Japan, is prepared to issue Policies of Insurance, at the current rates of Premium at the respective places.

AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co., Agents.  
at 557 Hongkong, 1st April, 1871.

**Insurances.**

**THE GLOBE MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED, LONDON.**

THE OOSTERLING SEA AND FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF BATAVIA.

THE SAMARANG SEA AND FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF SAMARANG.

THE Attention of Shippers is called to the low rates of Premium charged by the Undersigned Agents of above named Companies, for all steamers risks, subject to a brokerage of 10 per cent.

The "Oostering" as well as the "Globe," after paying the Shareholders a dividend of 10 per cent. on their paid-up Capital, distribute 25 per cent. of the surplus of the profits pro rata amongst such of the Insurers as have paid during the year 1869 and upwards in premium. Particulars can be obtained at the Office of SIEMSEN & Co., Agents.

at 40 Hongkong, 18th October, 1872.

**Insurances.**

**NOTICE.**

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Not exceeding Ten days	1/2 of the annual rate
Not exceeding 1 month	1/3 of the annual rate
Above 1 month and not exceeding 3 months	1/4 of the annual rate
Above 3 months and not exceeding 6 months	1/5 of the annual rate
Above 6 months the full annual rate	

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Agents.  
at 378 Hongkong, 26th August, 1869.

**Insurances.**

**NOTICE.**

THE QUEEN INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE following rates will be charged in future for SHORT PERIOD insurances, viz:—

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Above 6 months the full annual rate	

EDWARD NORTON & Co., Agents.  
at 1174 Hongkong, 25th June, 1873.

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THE following rates will be charged in future for SHORT PERIOD insurances, viz:—

Not exceeding 10 days	1/2 of the annual rate
Not exceeding 1 month	1/3 of the annual rate
Above 1 month and not exceeding 3 months	1/4